

Beaumont Fire-Rescue Services

PERFORMANCE BENCHMARKS

405.01H - Patient Assessment: Medical

Discipline: EMT-BLS
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I. Objective

The EMT shall show how to perform a proper medical patient assessment using the criteria prescribed.

II. Instructions – Procedures for Achieving the Objective

You will explain and demonstrate the proper techniques for patient assessment. You will begin at my instruction to start. The skill will end when you have completed all of the identified steps and completed a proper medical patient assessment. Do you understand these instructions?

III. Examiner's Note

The EMT will not be allowed to review the performance steps at the time of evaluation.

IV. Preparation & Equipment

- A. A person to act as a patient
- B. Watch or clock which displays seconds

V. Reference Sources

- A. TDSHS EMT Skills, Patient Assessment.
- B. TDSHS Criteria Sheet, *TDSHS website*.
- C. *Brady Prehospital*, 7th edition, pages 106-108.
- D. *Brady Emergency Care*, 9th edition, pages 122-126.
- E. SOG 203.01.

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Name:	Officer #:
Evaluator:	Officer #:
Date:	Location:

If the First Responder:

- a) Takes or verbalizes appropriate BSI precautions.....1.0 ____
- b) Determine the scene/situation is safe1.0 ____
- c) Determine the mechanism of injury/nature of illness1.0 ____
- d) Determine the number of patients1.0 ____
- e) Request additional EMS assistance if necessary.....1.0 ____
- f) Considers stabilization of the spine1.0 ____
- g) Verbalizes the general impression of the patient1.0 ____
- h) Determines responsiveness/level of consciousness (AVPU)1.0 ____
- i) Determine chief complaint/apparent life threats1.0 ____
- j) Assess airway and breathing:
**Assessment (1) *Assures adequate ventilation (1) *Initiates appropriate oxygen therapy (1) 3.0 ____*
- k) Assess circulation: **Assesses/controls major bleeding (1) *Check pulse (1) *Assesses skin [either skin color, temperature or condition] (1) 3.0 ____*
- l) Identify patient priority and make treatment/transport decision1.0 ____
- m) History of patient illness: **Onset (1) *Quality (1) *Severity (1) *Provocation (1) *Radiation (1) *Time (1) *Clarifying questions of associated signs and symptoms related to OPQRST (2) 8.0 ____*
- n) Past medical history: **Allergies (1) *Past pertinent history (1) *Events leading up to present illness (1) *Medications (1) *Last oral intake (1) 5.0 ____*
- o) Assesses affected body part/system: **Cardiovascular *Neurological *Integumentary *Reproductive *Pulmonary *Musculoskeletal *GI/GU *Psychological/Social 5.0 ____*
- p) Vital Signs: **BP(1) *Pulse (1) *Respiratory rate and quality (1ea) 4.0 ____*
- q) States field impression of patient.....1.0 ____
- r) Interventions [verbalizes proper interventions/treatment] 1.0 ____
- s) Demonstrates how and when to reassess the patient to determine changes in condition 1.0 ____
- t) Provide accurate verbal report to arriving EMS unit 1.0 ____

CRITICAL CRITERIA

- ___ Failure to initiate or call for transport of the patient within 15 minute time limit
- ___ Failure to take or verbalize appropriate body substance isolation precautions
- ___ Failure to determine scene safety before approaching patient
- ___ Failure to voice and ultimately provide appropriate oxygen therapy
- ___ Failure to assess/provide adequate ventilation
- ___ Failure to find or appropriately manage problems associated with airway, breathing, hemorrhage or shock
- ___ Failure to differentiate patient's need for immediate transportation versus continued assessment or treatment at the scene
- ___ Performs secondary examination before assessing and treating threats to airway, breathing and circulation
- ___ Orders a dangerous or inappropriate intervention
- ___ Failure to provide accurate report to arriving EMS unit
- ___ Failure to manage the patient as a competent EMT
- ___ Exhibits unacceptable affect with patient or other personnel
- ___ Uses or orders a dangerous or inappropriate intervention

Time Allocation

Completes skill in allotted time..... **P/F** ____

Allotted time for this skill: **15 minutes 0 seconds**

Actual time: ____ **minutes** ____ **seconds**

Note: Attach this page to the first.

Points Possible	Passing Score	Attempt	Performance Rating (Points)	PASS	FAIL
42	42	First			
		Second			

Medical Director's Initials DK

Date 05/22/2015